Publications/Awards

• Professor Sven Wilson, along with a diverse group of scholars, discussed the role of family and obesity at a conference in Spring 2009. From this meeting, a series of articles were written that look specifically at the relationship between families and obesity. These articles are currently being published in Economics and Human Behavior in an issue co-edited by Prof. Wilson.

• Congratulations to Professor Chris Karpowitz for publishing his paper, “Do Women Deliberate with a Distinctive Voice? How Decision Rules and Group Gender Composition Affect the Content of Deliberation,” in the American Political Science Review, which is the premiere journal in political science. The paper, co-authored with Tali Mendelberg from Princeton University, won two awards at the 2011 APSA meeting: the Political Psychology Best Paper Award and the Lazarsfeld Best Paper Award, which goes to the best paper on political communication.

Position Changes

• After 7 years, Professor Donna Lee Bowen will be stepping down from her role of Middle East Studies/Arabic Coordinator with the Kennedy Center for International Studies.

• Professor Kelly Patterson has been promoted to Associate Dean over Faculty Development for the College of Family, Home, and Social Sciences.

• Professor Quin Monson has been named the new director of CSED (Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy). Professor Chris Karpowitz has been named associate director.
Changes in the Faculty Line-Up

- Congratulations to Professors Joel Selway and Adam Brown, who recently passed their third-year reviews.

- The Political Science Department would like to welcome Professor David Kirkham as a new faculty member.

- Professor Michael Findley will be leaving BYU this Fall to join the faculty at UT-Austin. Prof. Findley is a beloved professor who brought much to the department. He will be missed.

Where are the Faculty?

- Professor Joel Selway has been awarded a Faculty Fulbright to Singapore. He will leave in late October 2012 and return in early June 2013. He will teach two graduate courses, one per term, on Comparative Political Economy and Political Economy of Development.

- The Department would like to welcome back both Professor David Magleby and Professor Jeremy Pope. Both have been on leave for the past year, focusing on their specific research projects at the University of Michigan and the College of William and Mary, respectively.